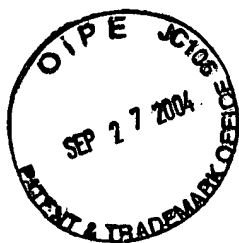


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AMENDMENT

S I R:

Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of the original shortened statutory period set in the Office Action of May 28, 2004. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55 in payment of the government fee for a one-month extension of time.

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In response to the Office action dated May 28, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.